

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Garr S. Lystad, et al.  
Application Serial No.: 09/898,924  
Filing Date: July 3, 2001  
Title: WORKFLOW MODELING USING AN ACYCLIC  
DIRECTED GRAPH DATA STRUCTURE

Assistant Commissioner of  
Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**Preliminary Amendment**

Prior to the initial examination of this Application, please amend the Application as follows.

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